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**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re the Application of:

Jorge COSTA CLAVER

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For: AUTOALIGNING COUPLING DEVICE (As Amended)

**PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT**

Commissioner for Patents  
PO Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

Prior to examination of the above-referenced application, please consider the following amendments and remarks.

**Amendments to the Specification** begin on page 2 of this Response.

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 3 of this Response.